UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT:

MILAN HAJEK ET AL 2

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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DRYING BOOK AND SIMILAR PAPER-

BASED MATERIALS

PETITION UNDER RULE 136(a) AND RULE 17(a)(2)

MAIL STOP RCE

Hon. Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated. March 24, 2005 for two months from JUNE 24, 2005 until AUGUST 24, 2005, with one-month having already been paid on July 22, 2005. Submitted herewith, under Rule 17(a)(2), is a check in the amount of (\$225.00-\$60.00) or \$165.00 to cover the difference of the extension for a Small Entity. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additionally required fee, or to credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 03-2468.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Check in the amount of \$165.00

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I hereby certify that this paper or fee is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10, on the date indicated above, and is addressed to Commissioner of Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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